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Today's News - January 11, 2005

Architects continue to ask "What can we do?" to help tsunami victims. — Architecture for Humanity puts out a call for photography to benefit Southeast Asia. — Deadline draws near for Congress for the New Urbanism Charter Awards. — Green roofs for Beijing. — A stellar shortlist for a quilt center in Nebraska. — Austin gets a "quirky" city hall "brimming with urban vitality" (great pix). — In Houston, good design wins out in "tug-of-war between good architecture and the bottom line." — A library center in Korea as a place for reconciliation. — Don't count Will Alsop out. — An American architect builds a dream house in China. — There's a battle brewing to save the bungalows of Santa Monica. — Survey shows it's a good time to be a landscape architect. — SCUP offers web cast on design and project delivery for non-architects. — A conference in Egypt will explore the impact of the digital revolution on architecture and urban planning. — Exhibition in Edinburgh shows off Spence. — A new book shows off designs that will never be built.

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'What can we do?' Rebuilding has begun on the south Asian shores. The world's architects are desperate to help, says Jonathan Glancey - Architecture for Humanity; Society of Earthquake and Civil Engineering Dynamics; Register of Engineers for Disaster Relief- Guardian (UK)

Call for submissions: "Spice": A photography show and anonymous silent auction to benefit Architecture for Humanity's rebuilding effort in South East Asia- Architecture for Humanity

Reminder: Congress for the New Urbanism 2005 Charter Awards Deadline: February 1-Congress for the New Urbanism

Beijing to Plant Rooftop Grass to Clean Away Smog (Reuters)- Environment News Service

Companies compete to design University of Nebraska-Lincoln's International Quilt Study Center - Kisho Kurokawa Architect & Associates; Robert A.M. Stern Architects; Studio Daniel Libeskind- Daily Nebraskan

Quirky, striking — it's pure Austin: The new \$56.7 million Austin City Hall is a dramatic building in the proper sense — drama, not spectacle...brimming with urban vitality... - Antoine Predock; Cotera, Kolar, Negrete & Reed Architects; Lars Stanley [images]- San Antonio Express-News

New building stands out amidst the Texas Medical Center's sterile architecture: The tugof-war between good architecture and the bottom line makes the new...Center special. - Lake/Flato Architects/Berkebile Nelson Immenschuh McDowell Architects (BNIM) [images]- Houston Chronicle

Literary center as place of reconciliation...dedicated to epic bestseller "Taebaek Mountains"...an architectural version of a "gutpan," or the traditional site of an exorcism. - Kim Won- Korea Herald

Will Alsop: there's more to architecture than accountancy: So is it all up for our Will? Happily not. By Hugh Pearman [images]- HughPeaman.com

China ironies: In the midst of frenzied copying of Western architecture, an American builds a home with traditional design - Arrol Gellner [images]- San Francisco Chronicle

Chips off the old block: Santa Monica preservationists rally as more vintage residences face the wrecking ball. Los Angeles Times

ASLA Business Indicators Survey Released: Results Indicate Significant Growth in Demand for Landscape Architecture Services.- American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

Webcast January 19: Capital Projects for Non-Architects — Design and Project Delivery-Society for College and University Planning (SCUP)

6th International Architectural Conference in Assiut University, Egypt, March 15-16: impact of digital revolution on architecture, urban environments, and current and future cities.
Assiut University

Gallery designs show on top Scots architect: Exhibition marking centenary of birth to include original sketches - Sir Basil Spence-The Scotsman

"Proposal": The unseen side of architecture...[book] features architectural ideas that never materialized- Kathimerini (Greece)

- -- Richard Meier: Jesolo Lido Village, Jesolo Lido, Italy
- -- Rojkind Arquitectos: casa pR34, Tecamachalco, Mexico
- -- Travel: Design Hotel, Great Eastern Hotel, London
- -- Book: Eating Architecture, Edited by Jamie Horwitz & Paulette Singley

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